

# MILDENHALL RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

in

the

Administrative County of West Suffolk.

ANNUAL REPORT

of

the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

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Medical Officer of Health for the Rural District of Mildenhall in the County of West Suffolk for the year ended the 31st of December, 1966.

Public Health Department,

Severals House,

Newmarket.

July, 1967.

To the Chairman and Councillors of the Rural District of Mildenhall.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report for the year 1966.

The Birth Rate, as is customary for this Rural District was higher than the national average largely owing to the high proportion of young married service personnel in the District.

The Death Rate was much lower than that for England and Wales.

The Infant Mortality Rate or deaths of infants under one year of age was lower than that for the country as a whole.

The incidence of Infectious Disease, which was of a mild nature, was generally low.

I wish to express my appreciation of the help afforded me in compiling the report by the Public Health Inspector, the Clerk of the Council and the Engineer and Surveyor.

My thanks are also offered to the Chairman and all members of the Public Health Committee for their help and encouragement throughout the year.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient Servant,

A. FARNILL MORGAN.

Medical Officer of Health.



# Public Health Officers of the Authority - 1966

(a) MEDICAL. One part-time Medical Officer of Health.

A. Farnill Morgan, M.B., B.S., L.R.C.P., L.R.C.S., D.P.H. (Durham). Cert. Mental Deficiency and Allied Subjects (London).

This Officer does not engage in private practice but holds in addition the following appointments:-

Medical Officer of Health: Newmarket U.D.C.

Haverhill U.D.C.

Clare R.D.C.

Assistant County Medical Officer:

West Suffolk C.C.

Appointed April, 1960.

(b) OTHER. One Public Health Inspector

E. Banks, Cert. S.I.B., M.A.P.H.I. Cert. Inspector of Meat and Other Food. Cert. R.S.I.

Appointed April, 1947.

### PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE

Councillor Rev. F. Eley, Chairman.

" T.S. Baldwin, Vice-Chairman.

" " Mrs. A. H. Barclay.

" F. L. Bennett. Chairman of the Council.

" Mrs. E. A. E. Carter.

" T. A. Hagger.

" Mrs. M. P. Harrison.

" " H. J. Kidd.

" B. A. M. Lingwood.

" W. J. Lock.

" C. C. C. Marston.

" " S. Marston.

" W. G. Moatt.

" R. Morley.

" W. H. Morley.

" W. Taylor.

" J. O. Wiggin.

" G. C. Willis.

Mr. F. Dannatt, Clerk of the Council.

Mr. E. W. E. Hall, C. Eng., M. I. Mun. E., A. R. I. C. S., M. R. S. H., Engineer and Surveyor.



# SECTION A

# Statistics and Social Conditions of the Area

1. General Statistics 1966 - R.G.'s estimate of population 25,800

2.	EXTRACTS	FROM	VITAL	STATISTICS	FOR	THE	YEAR.
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LIVE BIRTHS					Male	Female	Total
Legitimate		• • •	• • •	• • •	260	234	494
L'egitimate	• •••	• • •	• • •	• • •	17	16	33
	Total				277	250	527
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STILL BIRTHS					Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	• •••	• • •	• • •	• • •	4	1	5
Illegitimate	• •••	• • •	• • •	• • •		-	-
5	Total				4	1	5
Stillbirth rate per 1,000 total live a	and stillb	irths	• • •	• • •			9.4
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TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS					Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	• •••	•••	€ • •	• • •	264	235	499
Illegitimate	• •••	• • •	• • •	o • •	17	16	33
<u>-</u>	Tctal				281	251	532
DEATHS					Male	Female	Total
Death rate per 1,000 population	• •••	5 • •	• • •	• • •	96	71	167 6.5
Corrected death date (Comp. factor 1.) Death rate per 1,000 population (Engla		s)					8.9
INFANT MORTALITY - Deaths of infants a	under one	year o	of age.				
		~			7/-7-	Female	
							Total
Legitimate	• •••	•••	• • •	• • •	5	5	Total 10
	• •••	•••	•••	•••			
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The following table gives the causes and the number of deaths that occurred during 1966 and comparable figures for 1965,

		1965 Males	1966 Males	1965 Females	1966 Females
1.	Tuberculosis, respiratory	-	1	-	-
2.	Tuberculosis, other	-	_	-	-
3.	Syphilitic disease	-	-	-	-
4.	Diphtheria	-	-	-	-
5.	Whooping Cough	-	-	-	-
6.	Meningococcal infection	-	-	-	<b>-</b> .
7.	Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-
8.	Measles	-	-	-	-
9.	Other infective and parasitic diseases	1	1	1	-
10.	Malignant Neoplasm, stomach	3	3	-	1
11.	Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	6	10	1	1
12.	Malignant neoplasm, breast	1	-	1	4
13.	Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	-	-	2
14.	Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	10	6	5	8
15.	Leukaemia	-	-	1	-
16.	Diabetes	1	2	1	1
17.	Vascular lesions of the nervous system	9	8	10	13
18.	Coronary diseases, angina	20	24	8	9
19.	Hypertension with heart disease	-	_	1	
20.	Other heart disease	4	10	11	10
21.	Other circulatory disease	4	-	3	-
22.	Influenza	-	-	1	-
23.	Pneumonia	5	4	6	2
24.	Bronchitis	2	5	1	
25.	Other diseases of respiratory system	1	1	-	-
26.	Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	-	2	1	1
27.	Gastritis, enterities, diarrhoea	-	-	-	-
28.	Nephritis, nephrosis	1	_	1	-
29.	Hyperplasis of prostrate	2	1	-	-
30.	Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	-	-	-	-
31.	Congenital malformations	2	1	-	2
32.	Other defined and ill-defined diseases	4	6	7	11
33.	Motor vehicle accidents	6	8	-	1
34.	All other accidents	۲,	2	2	3
35.	Suicide	_	1.	1	2
36.	Homicide and operations of war	-	-	-	-
		86	96	63	71

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### SECTION B

### GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA

(a) LABORATORY SERVICES. The Public Health Laboratory Service, Tennis Court Road, Cambridge, provides an excellent bacteriological service and most readily discusses and advises on any epidemiologocal or similar problem. Dr. S. Greenburgh, Public Analyst, Tenison Road, Cambridge, gives a similar, efficient, helpful service when chemical analyses are requested.

(b) AMBULANCE FACILITIES. These services since July 1953 have been provided directly by the County Council under the direction of Dr. D. A. McCracken, the

County Medical Officer of Health.

(c) NURSING IN THE HOME. The West Suffolk County Council District Nurse-

Midwives carry out these duties.

(d) CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES. The West Suffolk County Council hold Infant

Welfare Clinics at the following centres in the Mildenhall District.

2nd and 1th Wednesday. Village Hall Beck Row 2nd and 4th Tuesday. Church Institute Brandon 4th Thursday. Peace Memorial Hall Lakenheath Every Friday. Mildenhall Bunbury Rooms

Outpatients clinics are held at Newmarket General Hospital as follows:-

Monday	Thoracic Surgery	Mr. Milstein or Mr. Parish	10.00.a.m.	2nd and 4th Monday each month
	Audiometry	Miss Mills	2.00.p.m.	
	Cardiac	Dr. Fleming		3rd Monday bi-monthly
	Oar Grad	-1 •		Feb., April, etc.
	E.N.T.	Mr. Wilsdon	2.00.p.m.	
	Gynaecological	Mr. Lloyd	2.00.p.m.	alternate Mondays
	Surgical Appliances	Mr. Ockendon	11.00.a.m.	alternate Mondays
m - 7	Osthonodia	Mr. Jamieson	10.30.a.m.	
Tuesday	Orthopaedic Plaster Clinic	Mr. Jamieson	2.00.p.m.	
		Mr. Tagart	9.15.a.m.	
	Surgical	Mr. Monckton	2.00.p.m.	
	Ophthalmic	Miss Lewry	_	and 2.00.p.m.
	Orthoptist	Dr. Arden Jones	2.00.p.m.	
	Medical	Registrar	2.00.p.m.	
	Ante Natal	Mr. Hesketh		Booking clinic for new
	Ante Natal	MI . HESAC OII	10.000000000000000000000000000000000000	patients.
	T 1 7 7 7 7 2 2	T- T-11	9.30.a.m.	
Wednesday	•	Dr. Fell		1st & 3rd Wed. each month
	Paediatric	Dr. Gairdner Dr. Arden Jones	2.00.p.m.	180 60 924
	Medical		2.00.p.m.	
	Dental Oral	Mr. Varley	2.00.p.m.	
Thursday	Neurology	Dr. Yealland	10.00.a.m.	
	Ante Natal	Registrar	10.00.a.m.	
	Surgical	Mr. Williams	10.00.a.m.	
	Dermatology	Dr. Rook	9.15.a.m.	
	Chest	Dr. Hay	2.00.p.m.	
	Medical	Dr. Evans	2.00.p.m.	
	Physiotherapy	lr. Jamieson	2.00.p.m.	Physio. except 4th Thurs.
Friday	Gynaecological	Mr. Hesketh	9.30.a.m.	
	Ophthalmic	Mr. Monckton	10.CO.a.m.	
	Orthopaedic	Mr. Jamieson	2.00.p.m.	
	Surgical	Mr. Tagart	9.15.a.m.	
	Orthoptist	Miss Lewry	2.00.p.m.	
Saturday	Orthopaedic Children	Mr. Jamieson	10.15.a.m.	alternate Saturdays.

<sup>(</sup>e) HOSPITALS. Of the 527 live births in 1966 to Mildenhall residents 117 took place at the Newmarket General Hospital.

Of the 167 deaths, 84 occurred outside the District (81 in Hospitals)



### SECTION C

# PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND CTHER DISEASES.

The following table shows the number of infectious and other diseases notified during the year:-

	Males	Females
Scarlet Fever	22	16
Whooping Cough	7	8
Measles	72	74
Erysipelas	_	2
Dysentery	1	-
Pneumonia	1	2
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	2
Total 207	103	104

### TUBERCULOSIS

### New Cases and Mortality

New Cases	1966	1965	1964	1963	1962	1961	1960	1959	1958
Pulmonary	1	2	-	2	1	6	7	4	3
Non-Pulmonary	1	-	3	_	1	1	_	2	1

# Ages of Cases notified during 1966.

Pulmonary - 1 male 46 years. Non-Pulmonary - 1 female 17 fears.

Mortality There was one death from tuberculosis during the year.

### TUBLECULOSIS REGISTER

	Pulm	onary	Non-P		
	<u>Male</u>	Female	Mal.e	Female	Total
1. Cases at commencement of 1966	12	14	4	3	33
2. First notified during 1966	1		-	1	2
3. Restored to Register	-	-		-	-
4. Added by transfer	-	1	-	-	1
5. Cases removed	1	1	-	<b></b>	2
6. Remaining at 31st. December,	12	14	4	4	34



To: The Chairman and Councillors of the Rural District of Mildenhall,

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit the Annual Report dealing with the Sanitary circumstances of the District for the year 1966.

I wish to express my appreciation to the Clerk of the Council, the Engineer and Surveyor, and their respective staffs, for the help afforded me in compiling the report.

Your obedient servant,

E. BANKS.

Public Health Inspector.



### SECTION I

## Sanitary Circumstances of the Area

Water Supply of the District. Particulars regarding the water supply of the District is now the subject of a special report which is forwarded to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government by the Water Engineer to the Ely, Mildenhall and Newmarket Water Board.

A summary of chemical characteristics of water supplied by the Board is given in the following table.

(In parts per million)

SOURCE	р.Н.		HA RDN E	FLUORIDES	
	_	Perm	Temp.	TOTAL	
Brandon	7•4	15	155	170	0.10
Eriswell No. 1	7.4	30	165	195	Less than 0.10
Eriswell No. 2	7.3	25	1 70	195	Less than 0.10
Moulton	7.0	100	235	335	Less than 0.10
Tuddenham	7.2	40	190	230	0.10
Beck Row (Part)	7.0	85	250	335	Less than 0.10

Routine water samples are taken monthly from the Bore Holes by the Water Board for Bacteriological examination and once a year for Chemical Analysis.

Various water samples are also taken by the Local Authority Public Health Department as shown by the undermentioned table.

	Main s	supplies	Privat		
SAMPLE	Satis- factory	Unsatis- factory	Satis- factory	Unsatis- factory	TOTAL
Bacteriological	45	0	24	12	81
Chemical	0	0	0	0	0

Of the unsatisfactory samples, ten are accounted for in areas of the Parishes of Elveden and Higham, where the subsequent installation of chlorination equipment to treat the water ensured that satisfactory samples were later achieved.



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Houses supplied first time 1966	11	64	1		4		29		THE CONTRACT OF THE CONTRACT O		- (8-)		28	199	33			1	(-1) -	(-9)+357	37/+	359	195	212
Private Piped Supply	7	31	16	-	134	19	47	16	15	70	13	2	4	5		78	7	6	10	1,4,1	435	398	371	371
Clare R.D.C.				20																20	20	19	19	19
Ely, Mildenhall & Newmarket Water Board	210	1 399	27	29	1	98	543	135	9†7	ı	126	78	805	5005	297	1	109		119	5762	5420	5155	6184	9797
Stand- pipe Out- side	3	17	1		ı	1	ı	9	Ţ-	8	5	7	21	20	9	1	4	1	7	103	144	191	332	946
Inside House	214	1413	4-3	88	154	104	253	145	09	62	134	73	788	1994	291	78	112	6	125	6120	5731	5381	4,881	989†
Number with Piped water	217	14.30	7+3	88	134	105	253	151	61	70	139	80	809	2014	297	78	116	6	129	6223	5875	5572	5213	5036
% with piped water																				98.5%	98	96	94	93
Total Houses in Parish	217	1453	43	88	134	105	257	153	63	70	141	82	820	2034	299	88	119	11	130	6307	5977	5798	5540	5363
As at 31st December, 1966	Barton Mills	Brandon	Cavenham	Dalhen	Elveden	Eriswell	Freckenham	Gazeley	Herringswell	Higham	Icklingham	Kentford	Lakenheath	Mildenhall	Moulton	Santon Downham	Tuddenham	Wangford	Worlington	Total for Mildenhall R.D.	Total for previous years. 1965	1964	1963	1962



In the report for 1965 mention was made that the water service pipe possibly needed replacement at a certain premise as all samples taken had been unsatisfactory, but after the Chlorination Plant had been installed further water samples were proved to be satisfactory, consequently a new service pipe was unnecessary.

One unsatisfactory sample was from a well supplying one house, the owner of which carried out certain improvements so that subsequent samples were found to be satisfactory, and the other unsatisfactory sample was from a well of a dwelling which is unfit for human habitation, consequently the Occupier was advised to boil the water before using for drinking purposes.

The Villages and number of houses in each Parish provided with a piped water supply is indicated on the table on Page 9, but does not include the houses on the R.A.F. Stations at Mildenhall and Lakenheath.

Swimming Baths. There are four swimming baths in the District at the present time, for the use exclusively of the pupils of Moulton, Eriswell, Mildenhall and Tuddenham Junior Schools, but, it is anticipated that within the next two years, other swimming baths will be provided within the District, one exclusively for pupils of a School, and one, for members of the Public. The water in the swimming baths is periodically tested by the County Council.

Closet Accommodation. Conversion of Pail Closets to W.C.'s during 1966 numbered 42 of which 19 were carried out with the aid of Standard or Discretionary Grants.

The Council do not now operate a pail closet clearance service in any part of the District. Parishes which formerly received the service now have a public sewerage scheme.

Drainage and Sewerage. 2,931 houses, which is 46% of the total 6,307 inhabited houses in the District, are connected to modern sewerage works, of which 465 were connected during 1966. There are, of course, many more houses in the District each with their own private, separate satisfactory drainage. From this it follows that about another 51% of the houses in the District are thus drained into septic tanks, and 3% have no proper drainage facilities.

The drainage of the 390 houses provided in 1966 was dealt with as follows:-

- (a) Connected to modern sewerage plants 325 (84%)
- (b) Connected to Septic tanks 65 (16%)

The Council has a programme for providing sewerage schemes to other villages and the present situation is as follows:-

Barton Mills and Worlington. Sewerage Schemes have been designed by Consultants and are awaiting the approval of the Ministry of Housing and Local Government.

Gazeley This Scheme, designed by the Council's Engineer and Surveyor was completed early in 1966. All the Council Houses (54) were connected immediately and some limited progress was made by private owners to connect their own properties during the year.

Tuddenham, Icklingham and Moulton. These schemes were also designed by the Council's Engineer and Surveyor, they received Ministry approval and were placed into the hands of Contractors during 1966. It is anticipated the work will be completed in 1967.



<u>Dalham</u>. The sewerage scheme for this Village is next in line for construction and it is proposed to link this village with the sewerage disposal works already provided for the Village of Gazeley.

Future Sewerage Schemes. Subject to Ministry policy and approval the sewerage schemes for the villages of West Row, Freckenham, Red Lodge, Herringswell, Cavenham, Holywell Row/Beck Row and Kentford are being designed within the period 1967/71.

Total Houses connected to Modern Sewerage Works as at 31.12.66

The figures in brackets show the change made during the year.

This table does not include the houses on the R.A.F. Stations.

	Cou v Hou	ncil ses	<u>Pri</u>	va te	Hut- ments	<u>Total</u>
Barton Mills	N	IL	10	(10)	NIL	10 Private Scheme
Brandon	361	(14)	905	(42)	2	1268 Public Scheme
Cavenham	N	IL .	21		NIL	21 Private Scheme
Freckenham (Red Lodge)	N	IL	21	(21)	NIL	21 Private Scheme
Gazeley	54	(54)	14	(14)	NIL	68 Public Scheme
Higham	N	IL	22		NIL	22 Private Scheme
Lakenheath	184	(10)	281	(93)	5	470 Public Scheme
Mildenhall	436	(140)	446	(40)	NIL	882 Public Scheme
Moulton	30 NIL NIL		NI 26 45	L (26)	NIL NII, NIL	30 Housing Scheme 26 Private Scheme 45 Private Scheme
Santon Downham	l N	IL	58	(1)	NIL	58 Private Scheme
Worlington	N:	IL	10		NIL	10 Private Scheme
TOTALS	1065	(218)	1859	(247)	7	2931

Cesspool Clearance. The estimated number of cesspools in the area is 1,800, the number of clearances made during 1966 was 1,907 of which 938 were given free of charge under the Council's Scheme. The number of clearances in 1965 was 2,093

The Council operates two cesspool emptiers through the Engineer and Surveyor's Department which are fully employed within the District.

River and Streams. The condition of the rivers and streams call for no special comment. The River Authority do take regular samples of sewage effluent which discharges into the rivers and if the samples do not comply with the required standard, action is taken by the Local Authority to adjust the condition of the effluent discharge to satisfy the River Authority's requirements.



Public Conveniences. The free washing facilities at the Public Conveniences provided at Brandon in 1940 and Mildenhall in 1951, are an asset to the District. Similar facilities are to be provided at Lakenheath, but these await a suitable site for a Public Convenience.

Public Cleansing. The refuse collection system, which is operated by the Engineer and Surveyor's Department, is continually being extended to serve new developments. A new large capacity vehicle for refuse collection was purchased and put into service during the year. This vehicle replaced an older vehicle which has been retained as a standby. There are now two vehicles fully employed and one vehicle part time. All the vehicles in service are of the hydraulic ram packing type.

Salvage. Salvage materials collected by refuse vehicle staff was as follows: - Waste Paper 149 tons, Scrap Iron 11 tons, Rags 7 tons and Metal 1 ton. A total value of £718 Os. Od.

Clean Air Act. A smoke nuisance was observed during 1965 at a Scrap Metal Dealers Yard. Statutory action was taken but the nuisance continued. Court proceedings were successful, the defendant being fined and an Abatement Order was made.

Eradication of Bed Bugs. No cases of bed bug infestation occurred in the District during 1966.

Rat Destruction. One Rodent Operator, Mr. G. Rudderham, is employed by the Council, The amount of work accomplished by him can be assessed from the copy of the twelve month report which is on Page 14. The main poisons used were Warfarin and Zinc Phosphide. Treatment at dwelling houses is provided without charge, whilst a charge of 7s. 6d. per hour is made at business premises and 10s. Od. per hour at agricultural premises except for eight agricultural premises which are contracted for by the Council on a yearly basis.

There was a noticeable increase of rodent infestation during the year, it is believed this was largely due to the less severe winter seasons which did not restrict the need of rodents to obtain food and shelter as would normally be expected.

In May, 1966 the Council provided the Rodent Operator with a van in order that more material, quicker service and extra treatment could be carried out with efficiency. Over the years there has been a steady increase of premises in the District and the previous mode of transport, by motor cycle, was inadequate.

Licensed Premises. With very few isolated exceptions, every licensed house is provided with a washing sink with hot and cold water supply adjacent to the public rooms. Most of the houses have been provided with "Central Service" counters which have the advantage of making the cleaning facilities readily available for all sections.

The Rag, Flock and Other Filling Materials Act, 1951. The premises in the District which carry out upholstery work, carry out repairs, re-making and re-conditioning of articles are exempted from registration under Section 1 (2)(a) of the Act.

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963. Forty two shops were inspected during the year under the Act, which with the number of inspections during 1965, this is now 90% of the total registered premises. Altogether, including re-visits, 148 inspections were made during the year.



Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act. There are 47 licensed Sites for caravans on which some 482 vehicles are located, 11 of these Sites contain 12 to 80 caravans and are provided with main services (Electricity and Water) the remaining Sites are occupied by 1 to 3 on a Site.

Radioactive Substances Act, 1960. This Act places a duty on a Local Authority to accept and deal with radioactive wastes sent to their refuse tips, in accordance with an authorisation, and Local Authorities are asked to co-operate where this is the method of disposal. Local Authorities are sent copies of registration and authorisation certificates.

During 1966 one notification was received of an establishment within the District who were permitted to use radioactive material, the period of the certificate was for two weeks only.

# Summary of Inspections carried out during 1966 Sanitary Inspections of the Area

Inspection and re-inspections of houses under the Public Health and Housing Act.	709
Caravan Sites	222
Factories and Workshops	103
Shops and Offices	148
School Sanitation	NIL
Drains etc.	2
Public Conveniences	37
Disinfections and disinfestations	2
Interviews	37
Nuisances	65
Meat Inspection	103

146 Informal Notices were served. Complied with 125. (6 outstanding from 1965)

2 Statutory Notices were served.



# C O P Y

# ANNUAL REPORT ON RATS AND MICE Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949 YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1966

Local Authority Mildenhall Rural District Council
County West Suffolk.

## PROPERTIES OTHER THAN SEWERS

# Type of Property

		<u>Non</u> Agricultural	Agricultural
1.	Number of properties in District	6,600	620
2.	(a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification.	334	32
	(b) Number infested by:-		
	(i) Rats	200	28
	(ii) Mice	25	1
3•	(a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification.	675	60
	(b) Number infested by:-		
	(i) Rats	257	16
	(ii) Mice	20	0
	SEWERS	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
4.	Of sewers treated were any infested by rats.	0	2



# FACTORIES ACT, 1937 to 1961

# Inspection for purposes of provisions as to health

	Number on	N	Number of:-			
	1	Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted		
Factories (no power) in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authority	5	6	NIL	NIL		
Factories (with power) not included above in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	95	94	4	NIL		
Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers premises)	19	3	NIL	NIL		
TOTALS	119	103	4.	NIL		

	NT /C	No. of	cases in			
	M/C line	. ,		Refer	red.	Number of Prosecutions
	No. 4	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	Instituted
Sanitary Conveniences unsuitable or defective	S.7	3	3	NIL	NIL	NIL

# Part VIII of the Act OUTWORK (Sections 133 and 134)

		Section 133	Section 134				
Nature of Work	No•of out-workers in August list required by Section 133(1)(c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	prosecu- tions for	in unwhole-	Notices served	Pro- secu- tions	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	
Lampshades	7	0	0	0	0	0	
Leather work	7	0	0	0	0	0	
Total	14	Ο,	0	0	0	0	



# SECTION E

# HOUSING CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE AREA

(1)	(a)	Total number of houses inspected for defects under the Public Health and Housing Acts.	621
	(b)	Number of Inspections made for purpose	708
(2)		Number of Houses (included in Sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing (Consolidation) Regulations, 1935	MIL
(3)		Number of houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.	21
(4)		Number of houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceeding sub-head) found not to be in all respects fit for human habitation.	72
(5)		Number of houses demolished during the year as a result of Demolition Orders.	33
(6)		Number of houses demolished without formal notice	27
2.	Remed	y of Defects during the year without service of Formal No	tice
		ber of defective dwellings rendered fit in consequence of ormal action by the Local Authority Officers. By Owners.	. 6
		ses completely reconditioned and improved under Housing provement) Act, 1949/59 as shown by Register.	4
		y of Defects during the year following the service of l Notices.	
		ses reconditioned and rendered fit by owners and olition Orders or Closing Orders cancelled by the Council	. 1
		ses reconditioned and rendered fit by Owners and ditional Undertakings cancelled by Council	5
	Time	and Place Notices served during 1966.	
	Actio	<u>n</u>	
	Demol Condi Purch	ng Orders ition Orders tional Undertakings accepted ased by Council anding at end of year	3 11 7 NIL NIL
		s in Multiple Occupation. There are very few houses in ple occupation in the District.	
	on 34 avera £10,7	ng Act, 1949/59. Improvement work during 1966 was comple houses and the total value of grant paid was £6,914 an ge of £203 per house - figures in 1965 were 60 houses, 19 total grant, £179 (approximately) on average. Two preouncil Houses were also fully modernised.	
	House	s erected in the District during 1966	
	New C	ouncil Houses	1 70
	Priva	te Houses	218
	Conve	rsion of buildings into houses (Private)	2
		sion of Council Houses. A table showing the provision of il houses in the various parishes is set out overleaf.	•



% of houses in the Parish which are Council Houses.	28%	25%					17%	35%	16%		28%	22%	22%	27%	13%		27%		16%	22%
Misc. Family Units	1	19					4				1		13	24	4				1	29
-Post	9 <sup>4</sup> 7	246 (14)					34	54	8		32 (6)	18	120 (10)	(140) (140)	36		18		12	1064 (170)
War Time									2				2	2						9
Pre-War	14	76					9				9		<del>1</del> ,†	80			14		8	566
Total Council Houses	61	359	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	144	54	10	NIL	39	18	179	946	0 <sup>†</sup> 7	TIN	32	NIT	21	1403
Total Houses in Parish	217	1453	77	88	134	105	257	153	63	70	141	82	820	2034	565	88	119	11	130	6307
Parish	Barton Mills	Brandon	Cavenham	Dalham	Elveden	Eriswell	Freckenham	Gazeley	Herringswell	Higham	Icklingham	Kentford	Lakenheath	Wildenhall	Moulton	Santon Downham	Tuddenham	Wangford	Worlington	TOTALS

The Figures in brackets indicate houses built during 1966.



### SECTION F

### INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

(a) Milk Supply. The duties of our Authority are curtailed to the surveillance of milk in distribution from dairies other than producer retail dairies. The number of retailers in the District was 3.

	Tuberculin Tested and Pasturised Dealer
Wortley, High Street, Lakenheath	1
Elmer Bros., The Paddocks, Santon Downham	1
Bridge Farm Dairies Ltd., Mildenhall	1
TOTAL	3

No infrigements of the various Regulations were observed during visits to the Dealers' premises in 1966. Series of samples, taken during the summer months to ascertain the keeping qualities of the milk, all proved satisfactory.

One complaint was received during the year of a dirty milk bottle, delivered to a School outside the District, but as two Dairy firms supplied milk to the School there was not sufficient proof of identification, sonsequently apart from a warning, no Legal action was taken.

(b) <u>Meat and other Foods</u>. Regular visits of inspection are paid to the Slaughterhouse in the area and all meat slaughtered is inspected.

Ice-Cream. There are no factories in the area and all ice-cream is pre-packed before delivery for sale to the 76 retailers on the Register in the District.

Mobile ice cream vendors are becoming prevalent and are under observation. Some vehicles are being operated by persons from premises within the District are kept under constant supervision.

Cafes and Canteens. These are inspected at regular intervals and employees advised on matters of hygiene. Canteens at industrial premises are also inspected for action where necessary.

During the year 1966 the undermentioned food was condemned as unfit for human comsumption.

Canned	Milk	NIL	Liver	20 lbs.
11	Vegetables	NIL	Pork	126 <del>1</del> 1bs.
11	Fruit	$7\frac{1}{4}$ lbs.	Beef	120 lbs.
11	Meat	85 lbs.	Lamb	40 lbs.
11	Fish	NIL	Fish	NIL
			Cereals	NIL
			Chicken	14 lbs.

Number of Licensed Slaughterhouses 1
Number of visits to Butchers premises 59

### MEAT CONDEMNED

T	uberculosis	<u> </u>	Other Dis	seases etc.	
Bovines	Pigs	Sheep	Bovines	<u>Pigs</u>	Sheep
NIL	NIL	NIL	26 Livers 2 Lungs	NIL	2 Livers



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Carcases and Offal inspected and condemned in whole or in part

	Cattle Excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed	1 39	NIL	NIL	533	18	NIL
Number inspected	139	NIL	NIL	533	18	NIL
All diseases  except Tubercul- osis and Cysti- cerci Whole carcases condemned	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	28	NIL	NIL	2	NIL	NIL
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci	20%	NIL	NIL	0.38%	NIL	NIL
Tuberculosis Only. Whole carcases condemned	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Cysticercosis Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration.	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
Generalised and totally condemned	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL



Inspections	29 20 104 6 32 2 86	30 ITEMS 37 2 2	
No. of premises fitted to comply with Reg. 19.	27 27 4 61 01	74. PREPACKED 62 8	
No. to which Reg. 19 applies (Facilities for washing food and equipment	2 12 1 5 61 10	74, ALL. 62, 8	
No. fitted to comply with Regulation 16 (wash and basins)	12 23 55 44 13	74 38 62 8 8	
Number of premises	2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	74 38 62 8 8	
Type of Premises	1. Bakehouses  Butchers  Cafes  Dairies  Fishmongers  Greengrocers  Erovision Dealers  Sweet Shops	2. Ice Cream Premises Freserved food premises Fublic Houses Hotels Canteens	

- 3. Total number of Inspections 352
- 4. Personal education of Food Hygiene given to most of the Food Handlers.
- 5. Condemned meat is stained and forwarded to processing manufacturers. Small quantities stained and burned or buried. Tinned food stained and buried
  - 6. No Ice-Cream manufacturers in the District.
    All shop retailers sell pre-packed icecream only.
- 7. Mobile ice-cream vendors are also operating in the District with soft serve freezing.
- 8. Inspections have been carried out in order to bring all food premises up to the standard required
- 9. ADULTERATION, ETC.
  CHEMICAL AND BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION
  NUTRITION
  SHELL FISH
  WATER CRESS

NO CHANGE.





